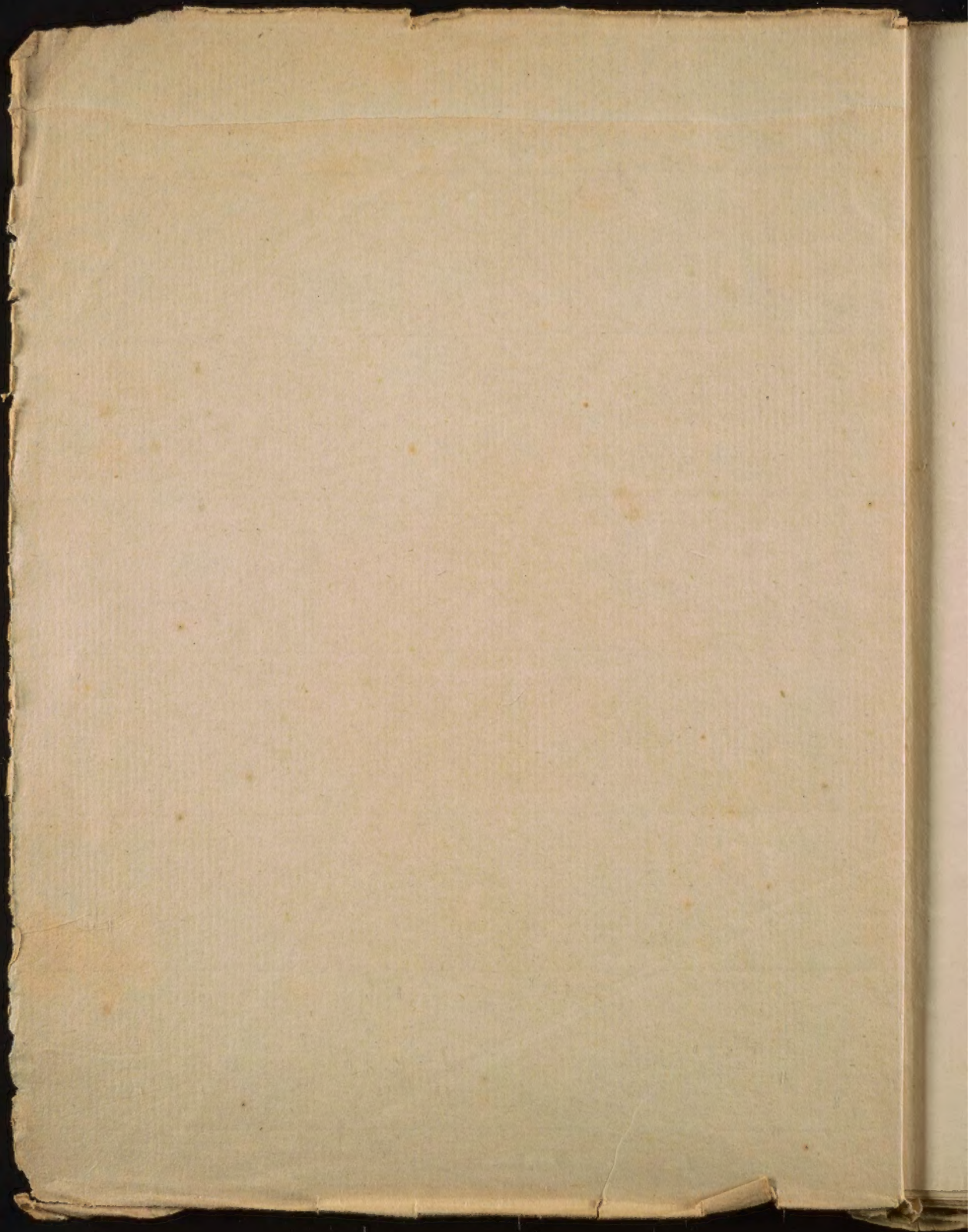


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mind in an active state. ~~Some~~ ~~this~~  
~~truth and nature~~ ~~the~~ ~~power~~ ~~right~~ ~~to~~  
~~truth of~~ ~~human~~ ~~in~~ ~~that~~ ~~power~~ ~~to~~ ~~knowing~~  
Let us next <sup>then</sup> consider <sup>there</sup> it in a passive  
~~now that we~~ state, that is a state of Sleep. —



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# of Sleep

The impressions which <sup>induce</sup> ~~excite~~ sensation  
and thought, whether pleasant, or pain-  
ful, by their action upon the system,  
wear it down <sup>its excitement, & expend its</sup> ~~into~~ in such a manner  
as to render sleep necessary to renew them.

Sleep affords the same repose to sensation  
or to the nerves and brain, <sup>that</sup>  
and thought <sup>as</sup> ~~rest~~ does to motion,  
or to the muscles.

It is no more alternated with  
waking, as light is with darkness.

~~So~~ In describing it I shall  
consider its proximate cause.

II I shall inquire into its remote causes.

III I shall take notice of the state of the system  
and of several phenomena which occur  
in sleep, and



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IV. I shall endeavour to explain the  
Cause of Dreams, and of several anomalous  
facts connected with them.

If the proximate Cause of Sleep depends  
upon a certain fixed or determined  
grade of dyscrasia in the brain. It has  
been called by Dr Brown the sleeping point.  
It has likewise been called a healthy  
"Apoplexy". It is induced by an accumulation  
of blood in the Venous sinuses,  
and Spinal marrow. This has been  
demonstrated by the dissection of persons  
who have died in their Sleep, also by the  
effect of pressing upon the brain denuded  
of the Cranium <sup>in</sup> the Parisian  
beggar mentioned by Dr Boerhaave. A  
gentle degree of pressure induced sleep,



V of the proximate cause of sleep it will naturally occur to you that it is to all intents and purposes, a disease. Other proofs of its being so will be mentioned presently.

VI and according to the length of time in which they act upon the body.



but a greater degree of depuration induced  
 Apoplexy from both of which he  
 recovered by removing the hand from  
<sup>his</sup> ~~the~~ brain. In that grade of depression  
 of the brain in which sleep takes place,  
<sup>the nerves</sup> ~~it~~ ceases to ~~exist~~ ~~thought~~, become  
 the instruments ~~and~~ ~~the~~ brain of  
 sensation, and the brain of thought.  
 I shall <sup>place this grade</sup> ~~divide~~ of depression, or the  
 sleeping point at 20 in the Brain  
 and reserves, and ~~take~~ <sup>take</sup> ~~reference~~ <sup>reference</sup> at 10  
<sup>above, or below it.</sup> From this history  
 II The remote causes of sleep which  
 come next under our consideration  
 act in a relative manner, <sup>according to</sup> ~~they~~  
<sup>as</sup> ~~elevated~~ the brain <sup>is elevated</sup> above the sleeping,  
<sup>or depressed</sup> ~~point~~ <sup>point</sup> below the sleeping  
 point. I shall divide these causes



V 2 such as act by expending the excitability of the system, & by that means reduce excitement. and 3<sup>rd</sup> into such as act by gently and gradually elevating the system to the sleeping point. To the first class of causes belong



1,  
therefore into three classes. 1 such as  
act by the Abstraction of Stimulus &  
thus by <sup>reduces</sup> ~~reducing~~ excitement.

~~They are~~

1 The Abstraction of light, sound, and  
muscular motion.

2 Certain evacuations particularly  
blood letting and purging.

3 Certain substances applied to the body,  
such as Oil, Sider Down, and the like.

4 Cold. The death which is induced by  
Cold is always preceded by Sleep.

5 The gratification of the Venereal Appetite -  
- hence the saying "Omne Animal post  
coitum tristat": it might have been  
added - inclines likewise to Sleep.

6 The cessation of pain - hence we





Observe sleep generally follows parturition.  
 & certain sedative passions. Grief, and  
 even despair under certain circumstan-  
 ces often induce sleep. I have more than  
 once seen another sleep soundly <sup>the</sup> ~~after~~  
 right after the death of a child, and  
 Mr. Ashman the keeper of Newgate  
 prison in London has often remarked  
 that criminals sleep profoundly the  
 night before their execution. Mr. Custine  
 the son of General Custine informed  
 his wife in a letter written to her a  
 few hours before he suffered death by  
 the guillotine, that he had slept nine  
 hours the preceding night. This is  
 a planation of one of the causes of



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Sleep vindicates the disciples of our  
Savior from a want of sympathy  
with him in his sufferings. They  
slept during his agony in the garden  
only from an excess of their sympathy  
with him. Math: 26. Verse 40.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> class of remote causes which in-  
duce sleep by expending the excitability  
of the system are

1 Labor. This is the most universal  
and natural cause of sleep. ~~It~~ <sup>When</sup> ~~it~~ <sup>is</sup>  
gentle, it kindly reduces the system <sup>to</sup> ~~from~~  
the sleeping point.

2 Certain stimulating Aliments &  
Drinks, and certain narcotic substances,  
~~if~~ taken in such quantities as  
gradually to expend the excitability &



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reduce the excitement of the system

3 Certain sounds, particularly the noise of a city in persons who have not been accustomed to it.

4 Heat applied to the body. ~~It acts more~~

~~powerfully~~

5 The long and painful exercise of the understanding upon any one subject. Generals often sleep soundly the night before a battle, from the excitement of their systems being gradually reduced by the arrangements of the preceding day. —

The 3<sup>d</sup> Class of Causes which gradually elevate the system to the sleeping

point are

1 Gentle labor or exercise particularly



I have been thinking of you very much lately  
 and wondering how you are getting on. I hope  
 you are well and happy. I have been very busy  
 lately but I will try to write to you more often.  
 I am sure you will understand me. I am  
 always your affectionate friend.  
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walking, riding in a carriage, and  
 rocking in a cradle.

2 The moderate stimulus of Aliments  
 and Drinks. Hence we observe many  
 people who are in the habit of eating a  
 small ~~meal~~ supper pass sleepless or  
 restless nights, if they go to bed without  
 taking a little food. Small doses of Opium  
 & ~~also~~ fermented liquors - also tea, and  
 Coffee have the same soporific effects  
 upon the system. Take notice here  
 of the relative effects of tea. It ~~of~~ both  
 prevents, and induces sleep. When the  
 system is nearly at the sleeping point,  
 it elevates it above it, and thus prevents  
 sleep, but when it is 8 or 10 degrees  
~~also~~ below it, which is the case





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After great fatigue, it induces sleep by elevating the system to the sleeping point.

3 Certain sounds. The inhabitants of the neighbourhood of the falls of the Nile are unable to sleep when they leave home from the absence of the customary stimulus of sound. I knew a Watchmaker in this city who <sup>had been bred in the practice</sup> of ~~carrying~~ <sup>carrying</sup> all the watches ~~in his bed room in order to~~ <sup>with him</sup> in his shop, and placing them upon a table in his bed room every night in order to prevent their being stolen. When this watchmaker went abroad he was unable to sleep until he procured from ~~the~~ the persons in the



The first of these is the fact that the  
 system of the world is not a simple  
 one. It is a complex one, and it is  
 one that is constantly changing. It is  
 a system that is not only changing  
 but is also being changed by the  
 actions of the people who live in it.  
 This is a fact that is often overlooked  
 by those who look at the world from  
 a distance. They see the world as a  
 static entity, one that is not  
 changing. But the world is not static.  
 It is a dynamic entity, one that is  
 constantly in flux. It is a world that  
 is being shaped by the actions of  
 the people who live in it. And it is  
 a world that is being shaped by the  
 actions of the people who live in it.

families in which he visited, all their watches and placed them in his room when he went to bed. The falling of rain upon the roof of a house, and the "Lewis Snappers" of the post, or the humming of the bee often induce sleep in the same way.

4 moderate warmth by raising the excitement of the system to the sleeping point, brings on sleep, - hence the good effects, in some cases, of the pilularium.

5 Certain acts or exercises of the mind which exert a stimulus exactly proportioned to the degree of excitation of the system below the sleeping point, - these are thinking upon some one uninteresting subject, or counting an 100 backwards.



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6 Even the Chimneys of light in this  
 state of the system often induces sleep.  
 - This I have often observed in sick  
 people who <sup>are unable to sleep</sup> ~~propose sleep~~ ~~lights~~ during  
 the darkness of the night, but who  
 drop asleep as soon as the light of  
 the morning breaks in upon them.  
 I have once ~~even~~ substituted the light  
 of a candle to that of the Sun in a  
 patient ~~who was~~ who was unable to  
 sleep, with the happiest effect. I was  
 encouraged to recommend this remedy  
 by hearing of a lady who in this city  
 who cannot sleep without a lighted  
 candle in her room and who wakes  
 if ~~from any accident~~ <sup>suddenly</sup> her candle  
~~gets~~ <sup>burns</sup> out during the night. —



V<sup>2</sup>. It is necessary for the remote cause to wear away the excitability of the system, and thereby to im-  
=port upon it ~~as a~~ a liberation of sympathy, that is, motion.

3. V The operation of all the remote causes of sleep which have been mentioned is much aided by a recumbent posture of the body. It favours the ~~the~~ access = circulation of the venous blood in the venous sinuses and spinal marrow upon which I said the proximate cause of sleep depended. —

It is necessary ~~the~~ for the production of sleep that the excitability of the <sup>its remote causes should wear</sup> ~~the~~ nerves, muscles and blood vessels should be reduced to the same points in equal proportions, ~~and~~ unless this be the case sleep cannot take place

In order that all the three classes of stimuli should induce sleep it is necessary that they should act upon the <sup>brain, the</sup> ~~heart & muscles~~, nerves, and the muscles & the blood vessels in an equable manner. Thus if <sup>the excitement of the brain & nerves</sup> ~~the excitement of the brain & nerves~~ were at  $20^{\circ}$  and mus-  
cular and arterial <sup>excitement above or</sup> ~~activity~~ <sup>below</sup>  $20^{\circ}$  perfect or healthy sleep could not take place, until a perfect harmony was established between these great and extensive surfaces of impression. They are brought to par by medicines and exercises in some cases which act alike upon them all; but equality of <sup>excitement</sup> ~~activity~~ is sometimes induced by certain medicines or exercises which act exclusively upon a part of them.





Thus Apafetida will induce sleep better  
 than opium when the <sup>brain and</sup> nerves are  
 below par - wine, when the <sup>minus excite-</sup> ability is  
<sup>ment</sup> excited in the blood vessels, and exercise,  
 when it is excited in the muscles.

Opium is most proper when all three  
 of them require an elevating stimulus.  
 2 In order that sleep may be induced by  
 its remote causes, it is necessary that  
 they should act equally upon each of  
 the great surfaces of impressions that  
 has been mentioned. Thus we shall  
 in vain attempt to sleep if heat be applied  
 to every part of the body except the feet, or  
 if the ~~whole~~ brain be exercised upon one  
 subject, or <sup>if</sup> the muscles of the limbs be  
 exercised, while those of the trunk have





remained at rest, or if the blood vessels  
 of the lungs have been unusually ag-  
 -itated by speaking, or coughing, while  
 other parts of the sanguiferous system  
 have been performing their ordinary  
 actions. In all these cases the remedy  
 is ~~to rise from~~ should consist in the  
 application of such a stimulus as will  
<sup>or reduce</sup> elevate the deficient part of the above  
 surfaces of impression to the sleeping point.  
 When it is seated in the <sup>brain, subjects of</sup> ~~muscles, or blood~~  
~~the~~ conversation, or business different  
 from those which have employed the  
 mind during the day will induce sleep,  
 or the same effect will be induced by  
~~jumping~~ rising from bed and walking  
 across a bed room, if the whole muscular





System has not been exercised on the previous day. This was Dr Franklin's remedy when he was unable to sleep from the want of <sup>general</sup> ~~involuntary~~ ~~the~~ muscular exercise. — I beg your attention to these facts. They are of extensive application in the practice of physic, and a knowledge of them <sup>is</sup> ~~with~~ is indispensably <sup>distinquish</sup> necessary to a physician. ~~from~~

3 The operation of all the remote causes of Sleep is much aided by a recumbent posture of the body. It favours the accumulation of blood in the Venous Sinuses, and Spinal marrow upon which I said the proximate cause of Sleep depended.



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In order that all ~~these~~ <sup>functions</sup> should  
induce sleep it is necessary that they  
should act equally upon the system.  
Thus we shall in vain attempt to sleep  
if heat has been applied to every part  
of our bodies except our feet, or if the  
labors or exercises of the day have not  
called into action <sup>ourselves of the</sup> the limbs as well ~~the~~  
those which move. the trunk of the  
body. ~~the~~

~~From the history of the~~  
I have thus delivered the history of  
the <sup>remote</sup> causes which induce natural, or  
ordinary sleep. From the manner in  
which they operate it will be easy to  
explain the cause of that kind of  
sleep which is of a <sup>preternaturally</sup> morbid nature,  
and which is induced by an excess





or in the sudden application  
 in the force of those causes which  
 induce natural sleep, as also by contri-  
 =vions, or <sup>a</sup> compression of the brain.  
 Opium, <sup>^</sup> Tobacco, <sup>wine</sup> ardent spirits, & <sup>aliment</sup> ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~mouth~~,  
 when taken in large quantities suddenly  
 induce ~~the~~ <sup>an</sup> accumulation of blood in the  
 Venous sinuses and in the spinal mar-  
 =row, and thus bring on a <sup>spontaneously</sup> morbid sleep.

Air or Acute that is  
 The phlogisticated <sup>^</sup> ~~or~~ inspired air induces  
 sleep in this way. Mr. Allman discovered  
 that animals which sleep during the winter  
 are made to do so, not by the sedative action  
 of the cold, but the expiring stimulus of their  
 own breath, for he found by dragging one  
 of them out of his winter retreat, that <sup>it</sup> ~~he~~  
 constantly revived when exposed to the  
 air even though it was below the freezing



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point. The Sleepiness which is often induced in crowded assemblies is in part the effect of respired air or what is called Arote acting by its stimulus upon the brain. A higher degree of this stimulus induces a sleep so profound as to terminate in death. The ~~from~~<sup>air</sup> ~~from~~ emitted by burning charcoal produces the sleep & death only by its excessive stimulus. The sleep in all these cases is <sup>internationally</sup> morbid, from its excess only, for the causes which induce it are exactly the same with those which bring on natural sleep. — It differs from natural sleep further in not being accompanied with an expenditure of the excitability of the system. The excitability is



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only ~~proper~~ suffocated in those cases with  
 the sudden ~~proper~~ reduction of the ex-  
 -citement, - hence we find when the  
 sleep goes off which is thus forced, it  
 leaves the system in a highly excitable  
 state, and disposed to take on morbid  
 action from the slightest irritants. It  
 is - ~~for~~ <sup>by</sup> forcing sleep in this manner  
 by means of opium, that mischief is so  
 often done by that noble remedy. This  
<sup>is</sup> ~~can~~ never the case when it is given pa-  
 -<sup>or in such a dose</sup> -<sub>reduces</sub> directly to as to expend the excitability of  
 the system before the brain is reduced [or  
 elevated] to the sleeping point. Take notice  
 here that opium and other narcotics dissipate  
 the excitability from the animal, ~~for~~





only, and not from the natural & vital functions.

III. Let us next attend to the phenomena and state of the system during Sleep.

It generally comes on with a prickling uneasiness in the eyelids - a difficulty in keeping them open - weakness, and pain in the limbs. This pain is so acute in children as sometimes to make them cry. It is the effect of disease or of a morbid excitement invited by previous debility in the muscles of the lower extremities. The intellects next become dull, - the head totters, - then the trunk, - and last of all the whole body falls into a horizontal position. There





appears to be a certain order in which  
 the Senses retire, or close themselves  
 against external impressions. The  
 eyes first fall a sleep, - then taste - then  
 smell, - then hearing, and last of all  
 the Sense of touch. That the Sense of  
 touch reposes last, ~~is sleep~~ I infer from  
 our changing our positions in bed  
 after we fall asleep. Indeed this sense  
 seldom reposes itself completely; &  
 hence we lift up the bed clothes when  
 we are cold, - Drive flies from our faces,  
 take hold of a Chamber pot, and make  
 water in it, and perform several other  
 Actions from impressions upon





the sense of touch ~~with~~ <sup>without</sup> being conscious  
~~of any of them.~~ There is a considerable  
 Variety <sup>from idiosyncrasy</sup> in the order ~~in the order~~ in  
 which the senses retire to rest in different  
 people. ~~from idiosyncrasy~~ There are  
 some people in whom the ears appear  
 never to be closed by sleep. These people  
 are awakened by the lightest noises. Some  
 again, we see others ~~who~~ in whom  
 the sense of smelling and taste appear  
 never to repose in sleep, hence they awake  
 from the faintest impressions of the weakest  
 odors, and from a bitter or rancidous  
 sensation upon the tongue.

The muscles like the senses retire





in a regular order when they relax in sleep. The muscles which belong to the arms and legs fall asleep first, - then those which support the head, and last of all, those which support the back. But there is in some people an inversion of this order from idiosyncrasy. There are instances likewise in which a part of the muscles only are relaxed, and others, in which they all retain their natural tone. Thus we see some persons sleep in a sitting posture, - here the muscles of the back are in action, - again we see others sleep in a standing posture as slaves when waiting upon table, and lastly we see some persons ride





walk while they sleep, particularly  
 soldiers who have long been deprived of  
 their sleep, also those persons who walk  
 in their sleep from <sup>the</sup> disease called som-  
 -nambulism. ~~It is remarkable that~~  
~~veins and muscles~~ <sup>and blood vessels</sup> are sometimes at  
 variance upon the subject of sleep. Thus  
 while venous <sup>and arterial</sup> debility at 20 invites  
 to it, <sup>and arterial</sup> ~~excessive~~ debility ~~at 20 invites~~ below  
 20 <sup>prevent</sup> it. The reverse of this remark  
 is equally true. They are to be brought  
 to par by medicine and exercise.  
 Sleep is never perfect, until ~~the~~ there is  
 a perfect harmony in the state of debility  
 and excitability between those three  
 great and extensive surfaces of inspiration.





Having <sup>gradual</sup> described the manner in which <sup>it remains that</sup> sleep usually comes on, ~~but~~ it sometimes comes on suddenly. In this case we generally start in our sleep, from the too sudden abstraction of stimulus, particularly the stimulus of thought. It is most apt to occur when the system is worn down to the verge of the sleeping point by great fatigue. It shows ~~that~~ how much the body is related to many other kinds of matter in its constant tendency to an equilibrium. —

The usual phenomena which attend sleep are

- 1 The loss of motion in all the muscles



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which are under the influence of the will.

2 The Insensibility of Sensation. We are unable to see hear, smell taste & feel in profound sleep while the system is exposed to ~~under the~~ ordinary impressions of the waking state.

3 The Diminution of irritability in certain parts of the body - hence the Cancers which excite Cough and Asthma, & hence when a Stone in the bladder, cease to act with their usual effect upon the system. Hunger ~~and~~ is sometimes suspended, ~~by it~~, & thirst completely chased away by it.

4 The involuntary motions are slower in the sleeping, than in the waking state. This is perceptible in Respiration, and in the strokes of the pulse, and arises from the



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Abstraction of the stimulus of muscular  
 action, and the influence of the mind upon  
 the body. The pulse becomes not only slower,  
 but fuller in sleep. It would seem as if  
 the Arteries borrowed <sup>a portion of the</sup> ~~the~~ ~~excitability~~  
~~excitability~~ from the nerves,  
 and muscles and the other systems of the  
 body, and employed it of in watching over  
 them during their repose in sleep. Perhaps  
 the additional fulness and strength of the  
 Arteries manifested in the pulse, may  
 be derived from the stimulus of the blood  
 accumulated in the venous sinuses, &  
 spinal marrow, and from the <sup>relaxation</sup> ~~power~~  
 of the skin which takes place in the  
 sleeping state. But further, the peristaltic





Motion of the bowels is suspended during Sleep. This is obvious from the suspension of a diarrhoea, and of <sup>an</sup> inclination to stool which we so often observe to take place in the night. Perhaps the diminution of the sensibility & irritability of the Spinalis Aris may be another cause of the suspension of the inclination to stool during the continuance of Sleep.

5. all the secretions are increased <sup>or</sup> ~~decreased~~ during Sleep. This is ~~at~~ most obvious in the <sup>quantity</sup> ~~secretion~~ of Urine and bile. It is from the increased secretion of bile during the night that a purging of it takes place so frequently in the morning, & at no other time. A french writer m<sup>r</sup> Labe has very happily said there are two





powers analogous to those which  
 govern the planetary system always  
 at work in the human body. These  
 he has called <sup>centrifugal &</sup> centripetal & ~~centrifugal~~  
 powers. The former is most active  
 in the waking, - the latter in the sleeping  
 state. It is from the ~~source of~~ greater  
 activity of the centripetal power that the  
 secretions ~~are~~ which are carried on  
 in the internal parts of the body, are  
 greater in sleep than in the waking state.  
 Bichat has ~~called~~ <sup>ascribed</sup> this in-  
 crease in the activity of the secretory organs  
 "Organic life" to distinguish it from the  
 voluntary muscular actions which  
 he ascribes to what he calls "Animal life."



V and hence too the reason why we so  
often wake for soon after we drop asleep  
with a sense of chilliness and

N & Death is moreover induced by the  
of cold when asleep, but the system  
~~now~~ will bear a much greater  
degree of cold to without the ex-  
-tinctions of life in the waking  
state. -

6 The excretions are lessened. During Sleep. This is probably owing to the diminution of the sensibility and irritability of those parts of the body in which the ~~secreted~~ excreted matters are contained. The suspension of the excretions in Sleep is perhaps one reason why great Sleepers become so very fat.

7 There is a diminution of the heat of the body soon after falling asleep; hence one reason why persons who sleep in the open Air are more apt to take cold, than persons who pass the night awake. <sup>I said formerly</sup> The diminution of the heat of the body according to Dr Hunter is 1° of Fahrenheit. This fact I know is contradicted by experience. <sup>we</sup> sometimes observe an increase





of heat during sleep. This may arise  
 from two causes, - its confinement  
 under the bed clothes, & its reaction upon  
 the body, or from a slight degree of the  
~~viscous~~ <sup>fever</sup> which attends sleep and  
~~fever~~ which not only increases heat  
 but destroys its equilibrium & throws  
 a greater quantity of it to those parts  
 to which the thermometer is applied in

Determining this question. This fever  
 often goes off in the night or in the morning with a <sup>gentle perspiration</sup>  
 & The system is weaker in sleep than in  
 the waking state, - hence <sup>febrile</sup> fever, gout, - Epi-  
 -lepsy and many other diseases often  
 make their first attack in the  
 night. It has been found in France that  
 soldiers and war horses that are marched  
 at night are more ~~prone~~ <sup>prone</sup> to be affected.



V ~~and~~ studious men who both feel  
and think <sup>sleep</sup> more than labourers  
who have <sup>but little</sup> ~~of~~ sensation to recruit,

I wish you to remember this fact,  
for I shall avail myself of it in ex-  
-plaining the proximate cause of dis-  
-ease in our pathology. —

§ The duration of sleep is different in  
different ages, - habits and animals.  
Children sleep ~~less~~ more than adults, &  
active children more than children  
born at the end of nine months. Old  
people ~~live~~ sleep less than persons  
in middle life, and carnivorous  
animals more than herbivorous. The  
reason is, - the food of the <sup>former</sup> ~~latter~~ is  
more taken in less time, and is more  
nourishing than the food of the <sup>latter</sup> ~~former~~.  
whereas the duration of sleep is always





too long when it exceeds 8 hours in  
the four and twenty.

Many persons have attained to great  
age and enjoyed good health who have  
slept much less. Mr Neal in his history  
of the Puritans mentions the name of  
a Clergyman who lived to be above  
70 years of age who slept but four  
hours in the four & twenty. Mr Westley  
who lived to be 86 slept but 6 hours,  
in and Mr Whitefield but 4 in the  
same time. The last of those men  
it is true died at 52. His sleep I have  
been told, was so profound during those  
hours, that it was very difficult to wake  
him. Few men who have been much  
distinguished in life have been <sup>long</sup> ~~great~~





Sleepers, and for an obvious reason.  
 They live a 5<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> part longer than  
 other people to perform exploits which  
 procure them prominence in society.  
 The times of sleeping & waking are  
 regulated by habit, or what might  
 more properly be called a position of  
 nature. From 6 to 7 to seven hours  
 sleep are enough for any constitution.

Where sleep is perfect ~~and~~ or profound,  
 there is no consciousness of the lapse of  
 time. I have read an account of a Mr  
 Tostley who lived in the reign of Henry  
 the 8<sup>th</sup> of England, who slept 4 days and  
 nights and awoke at the end of them as  
 if he had slept but a single night.

I have met with several old





old people who have told me they passed  
 whole nights without sleeping, who not-  
 withstanding enjoyed good health. <sup>Seneca says</sup> The  
 Senecas passed <sup>three</sup> years without sleep.  
 Late Bishops of Bangor told his John  
 Pringle that he had not slept an hour  
 for ten years, ~~and so it hath been~~ <sup>these persons sincerely</sup>  
 believe what they say, but I am  
 satisfied they deceive themselves. That  
 this is the case I am certain, for a  
 young lady who had often heard her  
 mother complain of passing whole  
 nights without closing her eyes, in-  
 formed me that she had once watched  
 her mother during one of those suppo-  
 sed sleepless nights, and that she ap-  
 peared to sleep as soundly as ever she



V Persons who pass sleepless nights  
generally feel torpid or stupid the  
next day. This torpor or stupor  
or both, are kindly ~~too~~ induced in  
order to give time for a new recruit  
of excitability for the purposes of  
excitation, <sup>excitation</sup> & thought. — V.  
... go to waste sheet

had seen any body in her life. Dr  
 Rusham in like manner says that  
 he has seen sleep in patients in the  
 nervous form who denied afterwards  
 that they forgotten themselves. The  
 sleep in all these cases ~~is~~ goes off  
 in the same gradual manner in  
 which it comes on, and hence ~~the~~  
~~circumstances~~ of the time in which  
 it has taken place is not recollected.

V We awake from sleep more sudden-  
 -ly than we fall asleep. The causes which  
 revive us are the stimulus of the mor-  
 -ning light, and of the <sup>urine</sup> ~~urine~~ of which  
 has accumulated in the bladder during  
 the night. Habit likewise independently  
 of these stimuli disposes us to wake.



From the history of the phænomina  
 of Sleep which ~~have~~<sup>has</sup> been given, you  
 will ~~anticipate~~<sup>perceive</sup> that it is  
 a naturally morbid state of the System. It  
 is preceded by debility & sometimes by a  
 chilliness - it is attended with ~~even~~<sup>also with</sup> that  
 state of the brain which takes place in Coma,  
 or a low degree of Apoplexy - The excitement  
 or so-called dreams.

of the System is unequally diffused, &  
~~irregular~~<sup>irregular</sup>. Irritability & sensibility are altered -  
 The pulse becomes metamorphically full &  
 slow, <sup>there is an increase of heat,</sup> and in some instances the tongue be-  
 comes dry - and furred. This is often perceived in  
 the morning.

~~But not~~<sup>But not</sup> Sleep has been said to be tendency  
 to death - and for a just reason - the whole  
 body is a diseased state when it takes place. I  
 have called the disease of Sleep morbidly natural.  
~~But this~~<sup>But this</sup> There are several other of the  
 natural or ordinary

functions of the body that are equally morbid  
with Sleep as I shall <sup>say</sup> hereafter. Be not surprised  
at these apertions. Look around you, and  
see whether similar morbid phenomena do not  
take place ~~in the~~ <sup>in</sup> other parts of the material  
World? What are storms by sea & land, but  
diseases in the Atmosphere intended to  
~~the means of~~ <sup>improving</sup> the purity of the Water  
and Air ~~upon~~ which support the millions  
of creatures that inhabit them? <sup>and yet</sup> ~~What are~~  
these storms are all natural. They belong  
to the ~~ordinary~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~fractured~~ <sup>unnatural</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>is</sup> an atmosphere  
uniformly calm, ~~would be unnatural. Then~~  
~~I shall reserve this subject for its more appro-~~  
~~priate place~~ <sup>Recall that what was said previously, that</sup> hereafter, and shall I hope  
prove to you that we are kept alive by  
our diseases, as certainly if the in less degree,  
as we are by ~~our~~ Air and Aliment. These diseases  
are to such as are pernicious,  
what pleasure is to pain.  
They depend on the different  
degrees or force of the <sup>negative</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>impressions</sup>.





29.  
at a certain hour. The mind  
first emerges from its repose, - the  
senses are then opened, - ~~the~~ vision  
is restored, - ~~and last of all~~ we feel our  
relation to the objects which touch  
our bodies, and finally we recover the  
exercise of the senses of Smell & Taste.  
we next rub our eyes - stretch our  
limbs, - yawn, - sneeze - or cough, and  
all this in order to dissipate the excite-  
ment and excitability in every part  
of the body in an agreeable manner.  
I confine this account of the manner  
of our waking ~~body~~ from sleep only  
when it has taken place in a usual  
- but posture of the body. We awake  
more suddenly from a nap upon  
a chair. The equilibrium of the





~~the circulation as well as of excretion~~  
 = ment and excitability is thus more  
 promptly restored, and the blood which  
 stagnated in a less quantity in the Venous  
 sinuses and spinal Venous more readily  
 finds its level in every part of the body.

It is for these reasons that we wake  
 after sleeping in a Chair without any  
 sense of Uneasiness, and <sup>disposed</sup> ~~prepared~~ at once  
 to study and business. In this way only  
 the Roman Emperor Augustus <sup>it is said</sup> refreshed  
 himself after the toils of the forenoon.  
 - ~~But~~ In adopting this ~~position~~ mode  
 of sleep care should be taken to prevent  
 the inclination of the neck or body,  
 otherwise the brain will suffer much  
 more than from sleeping in a room  
 = best





posture.

The state of the body and mind immediately after waking deserves our attention.

a part of the  
 from the abstraction of stimuli  
 which impart life and thought to the  
 body during the night it is much  
 weaker than during the day, hence  
 consumptive people cough most in the  
 morning, and hence the slow and  
 feeble steps with which labourers advance  
 to their work ~~but~~ soon after they rise  
 from their beds. Even the face discovers  
 marks of a relaxation of muscular  
 tone ~~in the~~ after sleep, hence ~~for~~  
~~people~~ middle aged people look older,  
 and handsome people are less beautiful



V It is from the greater debility of the  
body in the morning, that fear  
is more sensibly felt at that time  
than at any other. The Indians are  
so well acquainted with this fact  
that they generally attack their ene-  
-mies at day light. This was the  
case on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 1791 when  
they defeated General St Clair on St.  
Marys river, also on the 6<sup>th</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup>  
1792 where they attacked Major  
Adair near Fort St Clair, and lately  
when they attacked Gen<sup>l</sup> Harrison  
on the 7<sup>th</sup> of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1811.

early in the morning than they ~~are~~<sup>do</sup>  
~~at any other time~~ after the stimuli  
of the day have acted some hours upon  
them. It is remarkable that in that  
season in which the debility induced by  
sleep is most sensible, that is in the  
spring and summer, Heaven kindly  
provides the odor of flowers, and the  
music of birds to obviate it, and thus  
gradually to prepare us in the morning  
for the labors and duties of the day. <sup>This</sup>  
this history of the state of the body <sup>after sleep</sup> should  
never be forgotten by a physician. The  
knowledge of it is of great application  
to the practice of physic.

The Faculties of the mind are very  
different in the morning from what they  
are in the subsequent parts of the day.





By the occupations of the day they are often jumbled together, so as to act with less regularity and order than they do immediately after a nights sleep. Each faculty now settles, as if by a law similar to that which determines the arrangement and order of solid bodies by their specific gravities. The Understanding and all the rational faculties act now ~~not~~ with promptness and order, and hence the preference that is every where given to morning studies, and hence <sup>too</sup> the universal practice of consulting our pillow in all new & difficult enterprises. It should be our evening pillow only. The moral faculties now occupy the highest and most honourable





Station in the mind, while all the passions  
 are precipitated to the bottom of it. When  
 men are less disposed to fraud and with-  
 =draw soon after they wake from sleep  
 in the morning than they are some  
 hours after the moral faculties have  
 kept company with the Understanding  
 and the passions.







